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Haruhito ONO et al.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2881
Application No.: 09/819,907)	
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Filed: March 29, 2001)	
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For: ELECTRON OPTICAL SYSTEM,)	
CHARGED-PARTICLE BEAM EXPOSURE	:	September 2, 2004
APPARATUS USING THE SAME, AND)	
DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD	:	

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Sir:

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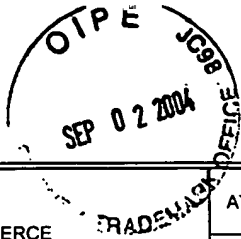
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